

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1657 - SB 2302

March 10, 2014

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes licensed prescribers, who work at a pain management clinic to dispense without charge a non-narcotic schedule V controlled substance in an amount adequate to treat a patient for a maximum of 30 days.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013570): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Authorizes licensed prescribers, who work at a pain management clinic to dispense without charge a sample of a non-narcotic schedule V controlled substance in an amount adequate to treat a patient for a maximum of 14 days.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- This will have no significant impact on the Department of Health or any health related board.
- It is assumed that authorized prescribers will exercise professional judgment when dispensing any such samples.
- Any increase in expenditures incurred for regulatory, enforcement, or oversight statewide will not be significant and can be handled within existing state and local resources.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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